

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION No. _____

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED RESOLUTION

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> Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana, the Senate concurring:

1	SECTION 1. That the legislative council is urged to require the
2	regulatory flexibility committee to study the topic of merchant power
3	plants.
4	SECTION 2. That the regulatory flexibility committee, if directed
5	to do so by the legislative council, shall study the following issues
6	related to merchant power plants:
7	(1) Local zoning.
8	(2) Regulation, including the issuance of certificates of need, by
9	the Indiana utility regulatory commission and other state agencies.
10	(3) Public input into the siting of merchant power plants.
11	(4) Environmental impact issues.
12	(5) Tax abatement and other tax issues.
13	(6) The need for additional electrical capacity.
14	(7) How the establishment of merchant power plants affects utility
15	rates.
16	(8) How the establishment of merchant power plants affects
17	community cohesion and quality of life.
18	(9) Any public health issues or concerns resulting from the
19	establishment of merchant power plants.



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1	(10) Any other issues the committee considers relevant to the
2	establishment of merchant power plants.
3	SECTION 3. That the regulatory flexibility committee shall issue a
4	final report containing its findings or recommendations to the
5	legislative council not later than November 1, 2000.
6	SECTION 4. That the Indiana utility regulatory commission is urged
7	not to approve the establishment of any additional merchant power
8	plants in Indiana until after the regulatory flexibility committee has
9	issued its report on the subject.



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